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SUBJECT: WALI KHAN'S TRAVELS AND BHUTTO'S CONCERNS

REF: KABUL 231; ISLAMABAD 602

1. ACCORDING TO FCO'S CHALMERS, WALI KHAN TRAVELED TO KABUL PRIMARILY TO SEE AMERICAN RESIDENT OPHTHALMOLOGIST (WHO ALSO TREATED KING ZAHIR) AND IS COMING TO BRITAIN TO OBTAIN CUSTOMARY EYE TREATMENT.

2. KHAN ALSO WANTS TO SEE SIR OLAF CAROE, GRAND OLD PRESIDENT OF ROYAL CENTRAL ASIAN SOCIETY, WHO WE GATHER IS RESPECTED KHAN ADVISOR AND HAS KNOWN KHAN, BHUTTO, AND OTHER CENTRAL ASIAN FIGURES SINCE THEY WERE CHILDREN. OCTOGENERIAN (AT LEAST) CAROE IS ALSO OLD FRIEND OF SIR ALEC DOUGLAS-HOME.

3. CAROE RECENTLY ASKED FCO ADVICE ON PERSONAL INVITA-
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TION FROM BHUTTO TO COME TO PIKISTAN. CAROE THOUGHT

BHUTTO WANTED TO USE HIM AS INTERMEDIARY WITH WALI KHAN
AND DECIDED HE SHOULD NOT GET INVOLVED. SUBSEQUENTLY,

BHUTTO LET IT BE KNOWN HE HAD WANTED TO ASK CAROE'S
ADVICE ON DEALING WITH DAOUD. CAROE'S REACTION WAS
THAT HE HIMSELF NEVER LIKED DAOUD OR GOT ON WELL WITH
HIM, SO ANY ADVICE HE MIGHT GIVE BHUTTO WOULD NOT
SERVE BHUTTO WELL. IT APPEARED THAT CAROE WOULD NOT
GO TO PAKISTAN, THOUGH WALI KHAN VISIT MAY CHANGE HIS
MIND.

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